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SUBJECT: CHOLERA-GUAM

REF: NONE

1. THE FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION (FDA) AND THE CENTER FOR DISEASE CONTROL (CDC) ARE INVESTIGATING TWO CONFIRMED CASES OF CHOLERA IN GUAM. EPIDEMIOLOGIC DATA SUGGESTS TRANSMISSION OF THE DISEASE OCCURRED AT A CONSTRUCTION SITE, BUT VEHICLE AND SOURCE OF VIBRIO CHOLERA HAVE NOT BEEN IDENTIFIED. WATER AT THE CONSTRUCTION SITE, WATER OR ICE FROM CONSTRUCTION COMPANY HEADQUARTERS OR A COMMON FOOD ITEM EATEN BY THE MEN AT THE SITE ON OR ABOUT JULY 18 MAY HAVE BEEN CONTAMINATED.

2. TWO SUSPECT FOOD PRODUCTS ARE:

LORENZANA ZIGAMID FRI (12 FL. OZ. IN GLASS JAR)

MFR: LORENZANA FOOD COMPANY, 75 NAVAL NAVATAS RIGAL R.P., PHILIPPINES

PERUCHO SPECIAL BAGOONG ANCHOVIES (1 GAL. JAR)

MFR: PERVUTO ENTERPRISES, 47, LOOG CITY, PHILIPPINES

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3. THESE TWO SUSPECT PRODUCTS WERE BEING TAKEN TO THE

WORKERS ON A DAILY BASIS, AND EATEN BY SIX OF EIGHT ILL PERSONS
ON JULY 18. WORKERS REFERRED TO THESE TWO FISH PRODUCTS
AS PADDAS.

4. FDA WOULD APPRECIATE INFORMATION AS TO PROCESSING
METHODS, PH, AND SALT CONTENT OF THESE FOODS. SUGGESTS MRS.
LUZONICA PESIGAN, ADMINISTRATOR, R.P. FOOD AND DRUG ADMINI-
STRATION MAY BE ABLE TO EXPEDITE OBTAINING DESIRED INFO.
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